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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Garrique et al.

Application No.: 10/569,316

Group Art Unit: 1618

Filed: February 22, 2006

Examiner: J. M. Vu

For: SELF-NANOEMULSIFYING OILY

FORMULATION FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF POORLY

WATER-SOLUBLE DRUGS

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed June 12, 2009, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-16, drawn to a pharmaceutical composition.
- II. Claims 17-20, drawn to use of an anhydrous selfnanoemulsifying oily formulation.
- III. Claim 21, drawn to a method of treatment of taxoidresponsive diseases.

In response, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, corresponding to claims 1-16. Applicants reserve the

right to file a divisional application corresponding to the nonelected claims.

In addition, the Examiner stated that the application contains claims directed to more than one species of the generic invention, and required the Applicants to elect a single disclosed species.

The Examiner stated that more than one species of the therapeutic agent recited in the claims are as follows:

- Anti-fungal drugs
- Anti-viral drugs
- Antibiotic drugs
- Anti-inflammatory drugs
- Anti-cancer drugs Hypnotics
- Analgesics
- Antidepressants Anticonvulsants
- Antipschotics
- Hormones
- Antacids
- Coronary vasodilators
- Cerebral vasodilators
- Psychotropics
- Antineoplastics
- Stimulants
- Anti-histamines
   Anabolic drugs
- Vasodilators
- Anti-arrythmics
- Anti-hypertensive drugs

- Vasoconstrictors
  - Anti-migraine drugs
  - Anti-coagulant drugs
  - Anti-thrombotic drugs
  - Anti-pyretics

  - Sedatives
  - Anti-epileptics
    - · Neuromuscular drugs
    - · Drugs acting on central nervous system
  - Hyperglycemic agents
  - Hypoglycemic agents
    - Diuretics
  - · Anti-obesity drugs
  - Anti-uricemic drugs
  - Immunosuppressant drugs

The Examiner also stated that more than one species of the enchancer recited in the claims are as follows:

- Cytochrome P450 2C8 inhibitors
- Cytochrome P450 3A4 inhibitors
- · Multidrug resistance inhibitors
- · Pop inhibitors
- · Non specific inhibitors

In response, Applicants hereby elect the species "anti-cancer drug" as the therapeutic agent, and "Pgp inhibitor" as the enhancer. The claims corresponding to this election are claims 1-10 and 12-16.

In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

Dated: July 13, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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